

American Studies Seminar

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Historical and Contemporary Perspectives on U.S. Security Challenges

May 20 – 21

Thessaloniki Chamber of Commerce and Industry
29 Tsimiski street

Tuesday, May 20

17:00-17:15 Welcoming Remarks

ACT representative

Hoyt B. Yee, Consul General of the United States of America

17:15 - 18:00 Lecture: *“Perspectives on Post-WWII U.S. Security Challenges”*

Marten van Heuven, U.S. Foreign Service Officer (Ret.), Senior Consultant at RAND Corporation*

** Mr. van Heuven’s remarks do not necessarily present those of the RAND Corporation*

18:00 – 19:00 Panel: *“U.S. Security Threats in Historical Context”*

Panel Moderator: Emmanuel Karagiannis, Lecturer, Department of International and European Political and Economic Studies, University of Macedonia

David Wisner, Chair, International Relations Department, Dukakis Chair in Public Policy, The American College of Thessaloniki: *“The Monroe Doctrine and Security Challenges of the Young Republic”*

Ioannis Stefanidis, Associate Professor in Diplomatic History, Faculty of Law, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki: *“A long term, patient but firm and vigilant containment: Assessing U.S. policy during the Cold War”*

Respondent: Marten van Heuven

19:00 – 19:30 Break

19:30 – 20:30 Lecture: *“The New Security Architecture and the Future of the Euro-American Relationship”*

Prof. Theodore Couloumbis, Vice President, ELIAMEP, Professor Emeritus of International Relations, University of Athens

Discussion – Debate (David Wisner, Marten van Heuven, Theodore Couloumbis)

Wednesday, May 21

17:00 – 18:30 Panel: *“The War on Terror”*

Panel Moderator: Spyros Litsas, Lecturer, Department of International and European Political and Economic Studies, University of Macedonia

Emmanuel Karagiannis, Lecturer, Department of International and European Political and Economic Studies, University of Macedonia: *“The Root Causes of Radical Islam in the Middle East and the future of U.S. Foreign Policy”*

Gerassimos Karabelias, Assistant Professor, Sociology Department, Panteion University of Social and Political Studies: *“The Rise of Political Islam in Turkey and the Future of the U.S. – Turkish Relationship”*

18:30 – 19:00 Break

19.00-20:00 Digital Video Conference on U.S. policy in North Asia
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Glyn Davies (from Washington)

Discussion – Question/Answer (David Wisner, Manos Karagiannis)

Concluding Remarks

David Wisner

Emmanuel Karagiannis